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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Richard S. Kusleika and Brian V. Finander

Docket No.: MVA1002USC2

Anticipated Classification of this
application: Class _____ Subclass _____

Prior Application:

Examiner:

Group Art Unit:

For: SLIDEABLE VASCULAR FILTER

CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) TRANSMITTAL

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request for the filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of a
 continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part of pending prior International Application No. PCT/US99/19942, filed August 27, 1999, entitled SLIDEABLE VASCULAR FILTER and naming as inventors Richard S. Kusleika having an address of 18188 Ullmann Circle, Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55346; and Brian V. Finander having an address of 4505 Birch Ridge Road, Vadnais Heights, Minnesota 55127.

1. Enclosed are 22 pages of specification, 4 pages of claims (20 claims), and 11 pages of formal drawings.
2. Enclosed is an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages).
3. Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior International Application No. PCT/US99/19942, filed August 27, 1999, is considered to be part of the disclosure of the

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accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

4. The filing fee is calculated below. Small Entity Status is claimed by the Applicants, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

CLAIMS FOR FEE CALCULATION					
Number Filed	Number Extra		Rate	Basic Fee	
				\$370.00	
Total					
Claims	20-20	0	X	\$9.00	\$0.00
Independent					
Claims	5-3	2	X	\$42.00	\$84.00
Multiple					
Dependent					
Claims	0	0	X	\$140.00	0
Total				\$454.00	

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2312. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

6. A check in the amount of \$454.00 is enclosed to cover the required filing fees.

7. 11 sheets of new formal drawings are enclosed.

8. Priority of application serial no. PCT/US99/19942 filed on August 27, 1999 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

9. The Assignment records in the Patent and Trademark Office indicate that the prior application is assigned to:

10. The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:

_____.

- a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. A copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
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